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SUBJECT: P.L. 480 TITLE I I- INCREASING MALNUTRITION

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1. ONE RESULT OF INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, AND SHARPLY RISING FOOD PRICES, IN BURMA HAS BEEN AN INCREASE IN MALNUTRITION ESPECIALLY AMONG CHILDREN. TERMINATION LAST YEAR OF P.L. 480 TITLE II ASSISTANCE THROUGH UNICEF THUS CAME AS SEVERE BLOW. REFTEL PROPOSED REINSTATEMENT OF THIS BADLY-NEEDED PROGRAM.

2. LENDING FURTHER WEIGHT TO OUR RECOMMENDATION ARE DISQUIETING REPORTS OF RELATIVELY HIGH MORTALITY RATES, DUE IN LARGE PART TO MALNUTRITION, IN PAST TWO MONTHS AMONG CHILDREN IN RANGOON SAEFERING FROM DENGUE HEMORRHAGIC FEVER. OFFICIAL FIGURES APPARENTLY UNDERSTATE PROBLEM PERHAPS TO ALLAY PUBLIC CONCERN OVER THIS DISEASE WHICH HAS BECOME SIGNIFICANT IN RANGOON AREA ONLY IN PAST TWO OR THREE YEARS.

3. IN COOPERATION WITH UNICEF WE ARE SEEKING TO OBTAIN SOME QUANTITATIVE ESTIMATES OF PROBLEM. IN MEANTIME, HOWEVER, WE URGE PROMPT REINSTATEMENT OF TITLE II PROGRAM AS REQUESTED REFTEL.

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